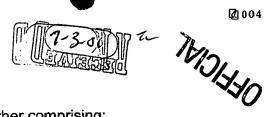displaying the first data and the second data in an information browser, wherein the first data persists after the information browser receives a third request to display new data in the information browser; and

displaying the first data and the new data in the information browser.

29. (New) The method of claim 28, further comprising:

providing a persistency control in the information browser, the persistency control configured to selectively prevent attempts to replace data identified as persistent within the information browser; and

flagging the first data as persistent.

30. (New) The method of claim 28, further comprising:

encoding the first data with a program language, the encoding comprising code for a navigation interface displayable within the information browser; and

configuring the information browser to execute the program language.

31. (New) The method of claim 28, wherein the third request corresponds to navigation of the information browser.

32. (New) The method of claim 28, further comprising:

displaying the first data and the second data in the information browser before displaying the first data and the new data in the information browser.

33.   (New) The method of claim 32, further comprising:

concurrently displaying the first data and the second data; and

concurrently displaying the first data and the third data;

wherein the first data, the second data, and the new data respectively

comprise encodings of three different web pages.

34.   (New) The method of claim 28, further comprising:

wherein the information browser is disposed within a computing device

having local resources different from remote resources;

wherein the first request comprises a request for loading a local resource

of the computing device within the information browser; and

wherein the second request comprises a request for loading a remote

resource within the information browser.

35.   (New) The method of claim 28, further comprising:

providing a user interface for the information browser; and

partitioning the user interface into a persistent portion for displaying

persistent data comprising the first data, and a non-persistent portion for

displaying data replaceable during navigation of the information browser.

36.   (New) The method of claim 28, further comprising:

providing a user interface for the information browser;

wherein the user interface comprises a first interface control, which when activated, generates the first request.

37.   (New) The method of claim 36, further comprising:

wherein the first interface control is configured to direct the information browser to persistently display a selected one of: a browser history, a search utility, and a browser configuration utility.

38.   (New) The method of claim 36, further comprising:

providing a second interface control, which when activated, generates said second request.

39.   (New) The method of claim 38,

wherein the second interface control is configured to direct the information browser to navigate to a particular network address and non-persistently display data corresponding thereto.

40.   (New) The method of claim 38, wherein selection of said second interface control directs the information browser to execute programming instructions.

41.   (New) The method of claim 36, wherein the user interface comprises a selected one of: a forward button, a backward button, a history button and a search button.

42.   (New) The method of claim 36, wherein selection of said first interface control directs the information browser to execute programming instructions.

43.   (New) An apparatus comprising a readable medium having instructions encoded thereon for execution by a processor, said instructions capable of directing the processor to perform:

receiving a first request identifying first resources on a first host system;

receiving a second request identifying second resources on a second host system;

persistently displaying first data corresponding to the first request in an information browser, wherein persistence comprises continuing to display said first data after the information browser is directed to display new data; and

displaying second data corresponding to the second request in the single information browser.

44.   (New) The apparatus of claim 43, said instructions including further instructions capable of directing the processor to perform:

providing a persistency control with the information browser, said persistency control configured to selectively prevent attempts to replace data flagged as persistent within the information browser; and

flagging said first data as persistent.

45.   (New) The apparatus of claim 43, said instructions including further instructions capable of directing the processor to perform:

receiving a third request identifying third resources, said third request configured to replace said first data displayed in the information browser; and

displaying third data corresponding to the third request concurrently with said persistent displaying of said first data.

46.   (New) The apparatus of claim 45, wherein said third request is generated through navigation controls of the information browser.

47.   (New) The apparatus of claim 43, wherein said instructions for receiving the first request comprises instructions for receiving a request for a first web page, and wherein said instructions for receiving the second request comprises instructions for receiving a request for a second web page.

48.   (New) The apparatus of claim 43, said instructions including further instructions capable of directing the processor to perform:

providing a user interface for the information browser; and

partitioning the user interface into a persistent portion for displaying

persistent data comprising said first data, and a non-persistent portion for

displaying data replaceable during navigation of the information browser.

49.   (New) The apparatus of claim 43, said instructions including further

instructions capable of directing the processor to perform:

providing a user interface for the information browser, said user interface

comprising a first interface control, which when activated, generates said first

request.

50.   (New) The apparatus of claim 49, said instructions including further

instructions capable of directing the processor to perform:

configuring the first interface control to direct the information browser to

persistently display a selected one of: a browser history, a search utility, and a

browser configuration utility.

51.   (New) The apparatus of claim 49, said instructions including further

instructions capable of directing the processor to perform:

providing a user interface for the information browser comprising a second

interface control, which when activated, generates said second request.

52.   (New) The apparatus of claim 51, said instructions including further

instructions capable of directing the processor to:

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configure the second interface control to direct the information browser to navigate to a particular network address and non-persistently display data corresponding thereto.

53.   (New) The apparatus of claim 43, said instructions including further instructions capable of directing the processor to:

associate programming instructions with the second interface control; and

execute said programming instructions on selection of said second interface control.

54.   (New) The apparatus of claim 49, said instructions including further instructions capable of directing the processor to perform:

associate programming instructions with the first interface control; and

execute said programming instructions on selection of said first interface control.

REMARKS

A divisional application has been filed for parent patent application no. 08/859,055.

All claims have been cancelled and new claims 18-54 added.

The parent application has been allowed. Applicants believe all claims are presently in condition for allowance for at least the reasons for allowance of the parent application. In particular, Applicants believe the claimed usage of